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GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT.

1913-14
(Local Boards)

File No. 207-17

Serial Nos. 1 to 12

Papers Filed.

Month August 1913.

SUBJECT.

Representation of "The South Mysore Planters' Association" re removal of its representative member from the Hassan Dt. Bd.

PREVIOUS REFERENCES.	LATER REFERENCES.
	LB 70-73 (1-3)

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File No. 207

FILE HEADING.

Representation of South Nyasa Planters' Assn. re removal of its representative member from the Karonga District Board

From

The Honorary Secretary, S. N. Planters' Assn., Sandoa

No. Nil Dated 20.1.13 Received 23.1.13

Diary No. 451	Enclos. Copies. Spare Copies.	Serial No. 1

BRIEF ABSTRACT OF LETTER.

Represents that the member who was representing the Assn. for several years has been removed without reference to the Assn.; that the Provl. declines to answer letters asking for explanations; that Consequently the Assn. finds it difficult to get other members to agree to have its name submitted for membership & requests Govt. to call for an explanation

NOTES AND ORDERS.

1) Drawing order on the Petition

The Secretary for favour of enquiry & draft reply to go from the Secretary may be put up.

Sd. H.C.D. 23.1.13

Submitted

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Submitted with drafts

KPuz
6/2/13

2) Put up clean drafts.

7/2/13

3) Clean drafts put up for orders

KPuz
8/2/13

Dy Secy) 4) Typed drafts as revised should be put up. And the case treated as early up to Govt approval.

Draw
10/2/13

The Typing Section
10.2.13

5) Submitted with typed drafts

KPuz
11/2/13

6) Drafts put up for approval as per Dewan's orders received here on 4/2/13.

Dewan)

Draw
11/2

7) Drafts approved by the Dewan 13.2.13

Draw
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F) Issue

15/2/13

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Serial No.	
2.	1) To the President - Dated 23rd, Forwarding No. 6203 of 15-2-13. Forwards Copy of letter received with serial 1 & requests to forward a full report upon the same specially with reference to the alleged expression of the member therein referred to.
3.	1) To Mr. Woodbridge, Hon: Secretary, Tamil Nyanam Plantes' Assn. Madras: No 6204 of 15-2-13 Acknowledges the receipt of his letter of 20-1-13 with its Enclosures & states that the matter therein referred to will receive the attention of Government.

C. 5/6/13

Immediate 9 1590

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NOTICE.

This form must accompany any inquiry made respecting this Telegram.

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BANGALORE JUN 5 1913

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TO Dewan Mahat Bangalore

Have made full report on Anr. Wood bridges = Deputy Commr =

Sender's

H. B.—The name of the Sender, if telegraphed, is written after the text.

Deputy Commr Hassan

Do kindly see me when I am free (may be after noon) with Kavill's report

5/6 Given 5/6 Given to Mysore with his report

5.6.13. Convenient

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4	11) From the President, Dist Bd, Karaikudi no 210/S dt 30.5.13 submits a full report called for (in Sl. 3) on the points relating to the letter of Mr. Woodbridge, Honorary Secretary South Planters' Association. 12) Telegram dt 2.6.13 from the same Pres. (addressed to Devan) states that he has submitted a full report on Mr Woodbridge's letter. 13) Devan's orders on the above:– "Secretary will kindly bring up in person at his early convenience" Sd M.V. dt 5.6.13 14) Secretary's orders on the same:– "Deputy Secretary – To kindly let me have the file fully worked up very early." Sd K.R.S dt 5.6.13 15) The file on the subject has been submitted to Devan on 21-5-13. Submitted for orders KPM 2 16) Case worked up & put to Mr Devan's Office 6/6/13 & (18) & get Mr file from Mr Supdt 17) The file is returned KPM 2 6/6/13 18) Mr Woodbridge

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Mr broadbridge's contentions are

(i) Ever since the formation of Distt Local Fund Boards, the South Mysore Planters Association has had the privilege of submitting the name of a member of the Association to a seat on the Hassan Distt Local Fund Board;

(ii) the Association's last member who had thus acted for 14 years was displaced without any notice or explanation to the Association;

& (iii) owing to the Dy Comm's attitude in not acknowledging the receipt of letters or offering any explanation, it is found difficult ~~to~~ get any member of the Association to agree to have his name subs for nomination to the Distt Board.

(i) As regards the first point, the Dy Comm reports that no right or privilege was conferred on the Association and that the Assocn was not requested at any time to nominate one of its members to the Distt Board (vide paras 2-8 of Dy Comm's letter)

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20) In regard to the statement that the Association's member who had sat for 14 years was displaced, attention is invited to paras 5 & 6 of Mr. Wetherell's letter of 30th May 1913.

21. Prior to the promulgation of the Local Boards Regulation II of 1902 & the Rules thereunder, District Committees for the administration of the Local funds were regulated by the rules published with the late Chief Commr's Notification No. 110 of 4th July 1874. The old rules did not confer any privilege on any public body to return a Member to the Local Fund Board. The fact that successive D/Commrs nominated Mr J.G.H. Crawford to a seat on the Local Fund Board for a series of years does not confer any right on the Assocn in the manner contended by Mr. Woodbridge. On the other hand, Mr. Wetherell went half way to respect the precedent adopted by his predecessors. But the attitude of Mr. Woodbridge was hostile from the outset.

22. The third point about Mr. Wetherell's silence to the repeated representation

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Of the Association does not call for Remarks.

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23 Mr Woodbridge does not want any orders from Govt. His sole complaint at present is that the Dy Commr did not send him a Statement of circumstances in which Mr W. L. Crawford was not re-appointed on the District Board.

24 The Dy Commr did give a sort of explanation to Mr Woodbridge in his No 358, dated 21/9/12. But he wanted a fuller Statement. If the D Commr had met the points raised in a subsequent letter, further correspondence might have been avoided.

25 Govt may now ask the D Commr to communicate the gist of the views now reported to them, to Mr Woodbridge, reserving freedom to settle any difference that may arise hereafter.

26 The Association, it is clear from the papers, has no right to ask that a member of their Union should have a seat on the Board. In the absence of such right, there can be no superstition demanding explanation or violation of any privilege. There is however reason to hold that the Association thought it had a right of the kind but it is founded on misconception. The printed Rules do not recognise it

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nor did the Dewan's proposal of 8.6. Mr Woodbridge may be intimated that he can hear shortly from the Dy Comm

Draft ag letter

Secy

27. Draft of a reply to Mr Woodbridge as also to the D.C. of Hasan may be kept pending for a suggested above

Dy 10/6 Draft 10/6

(a) 5 (a) 6/13 From The Hon. Secy, S.M.P. Assn. letter of 10.5.1913 stating that they are still without any explanation re the suspension of their member on the Hasan Dt Bd, &

Draft Lr as directed supra

Dy 11/6/13

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11/6/13 D/Secy

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24) Rdy drafts as revised, in good hand, may be put up.

Draft 11/6

fair drafts Subbu

11-6-13 Secy

Draft ag letter 11/6.

3162/21.5.13

30 Dewan

Dy 14/6/13

31 Drafts revised & approved by Dewan 21.6.13

Dy 21/6 Draft 23/6

Fair issued

23.6.13

32) To the Presdt, Dt Bd, Hasan — no. 10199 of 24.6.13. Asks report & Request him to Communicate to Mr Woodbridge the purport of the views set forth by him in the letter read with sl. 4 & to forward a copy of the Communication

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to file for record.

7 35) To Mr. Woodbridge, Hon'y Secy, S. P. Assn., Mudgere. No 0207 dt 26.6.13. With ref. to Sl. 4 state that a Communication on the subject will be sent to him shortly by the Dy Comr of Hassan &c

8 34) From Mr Woodbridge Letter dated 12.7.1913. States with reference to Serial 7 that he has received no communication from the Dy Comr Hassan on the subject till now

35) Dewan's order on the letter:

"Secretary will kindly report progress once a week until the matter is settled. He may communicate with Deputy Comr by wire." (Sd) M.V. 15.7.13.

Depy Secy's order

36) "Subdy Mr N to see me with this, to day, and a draft telegram to the Dy Comr" Subdy wrote file and draft telegram and letter. (Sd) 15.7.13

Issue:

37) Head of Branch should be personally responsible for submitting the weekly reports required by the Dewan — Done 1617

9 38) To the Press, Dt 18th, Hassan No 751 dt 17.7.13. Confirms the telegram issued by him & Enquires whether the Communication has

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been forwarded by Mr. Woodbridge as requested in Sl. 6 above.

40. 39) From the Presdt., Dt. Bd, Karaw. No. 21 dy 17.7.13. Submits a copy of letter addressed by Mr. R. J. Woodbridge, Hon. Secy, S. M. Planters' Assn. Called for for record

21.7.13 40) The correspondence may probably be filed now.

Dy Secy)

Asst 21/7.

41) No action is needed here unless Mr. Woodbridge chooses to make any representation to Govt. in the matter.

42) The President's letter to Mr. Woodbridge invites the nomination of a member to the District Board by the Association concerned, which meets on the 1st Proxmo.

43) Para 2 of the Dy. Commr's letter to Govt. gives explanation for the delay of nearly 20 days in complying with the simple order of Govt. that the purport of this former letter may be communicated to Mr. Woodbridge.

2nd Consl. J Dawson)

D. M. transmitting letter

Asst 22/7. 22/7/13

44 280. We might await further developments. In the meantime, it will be interesting to know if Mr. Woodbridge's Planters Assn. has been invited to send a representative to the Kadamattam District Board & if so, on what authority.

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Asst 23/7.

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46 Draft put up as directed supra.

47. Decree. This matter to be submitted to the Dewan for information Hry

24/7

11 Ltr to the President, Ootacamund Bd, Kadur No. 1193 dt 28.7.13. Requests him to state whether the North Mysore Planters' Assn has been sending any representative to the Kadur Ootacamund Bd and if so, on what authority.

48 Subd. for the information of the Dewan as directed in paras 43 & 47 supra

31.7.13

Hry

31/7.

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12 Ltr from the Presdt, Ootacamund, Kadur No. 52 dt 4-8-13 with reference to 11 above replies in the negative but states that Mr. H. Watson who is the manager of the Mysore Planters' Supply Co Ltd & the Hony Secy of the Kadur Club is a Ootacamund Bd Member appointed under clause (c), Rule 8 of Mysore Ootacamund Regn 52 Subs. With reference to para 4 of Supra

4/8/13 2nd Councillor

Hry

9/8:

Hry for the present 9/8

Hry 10/8 Dewan 11/8

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DEWAN'S OFFICE.
Date of Receipt 23.1.13
Petn. Regr. No 371

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THE SOUTH MYSORE PLANTERS' ASSOCIATION.

MUDIGERE, 20th January 1913.

M. Vishveswaraya, Esquire., B. A.,L. C. E.,M. I. C. E.,
Dewan, to the Government of His Highness The Maharaja of
Mysore, BANGALORE.

Sir,

I have the honour to submit for your kind consideration the enclosed correspondence between myself on behalf of the South Mysore Planters' Association and the Deputy Commissioner of Hassan District.

Ever since the formation of District Local Fund Boards this Association has had the previlege of submitting the name of a member of the Association resident in the Munjarabad Taluk, for nomination to a seat on the Hassan District Local Fund Board. Our last member who had acted for 14 years was superseded without any notice to the Association or any explanation as to the reason why he was superseded.

As the Deputy Commissioner of Hassan, declines to answer or acknowledge the receipt of my letters asking for explanations and we find it difficult to get any member to agree to have his name submitted for nomination to a seat until such explanations are forthcoming. I have the honour to request that you will call for an explanation.

I have the honour to be,

Sir

Your most obedient servant.

M. J. Woodbridge

Honorary Secretary.

S. U. R.

23/1/13 W. Lands Secy 5/2

The South Mysore Planters' Association.

Mudigere, 3Ist July I9I2.

P. R. W. Wetherall, Esquire.,

Deputy Commissioner,

H A S S A N.

Sir,

I shall be much obliged if you will kindly inform me why ----- Mr. J. G. H. Crawford's name was submitted to Government as member of the District Board without a reference to the South Mysore ---- Planters' Association thus passing over Mr. W. L. Crawford who has represented the Association to our entire satisfaction for I4 years.

As it has been usual since the establishment of District Fund Boards in Mysore for the Deputy Commissioner of Hassan to ask the South Mysore Planters' Association to submit the name of one of their members for nomination to a seat on the Hassan District Board. The sudden withdrawal of this prevelege without any reason given seems to be a matter in which the Association has a right to ask for explanations.

I have the honour to be,

Sir

Your most obedient servant.

(Sd) M. J. Woodbridge

Honorary Secretary.

(True Copy)

Honorary Secretary.

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The South Mysore Planters' Association.

Mudigere, 24th August 1912.

P. R. W. Wetherall. Esquire.,

Deputy Commissioner,

H A S S A N.

Sir,

I have the honour to call your attention to my letter of 31st July requesting to be informed why the privelege of submitting the name of a member of this Association for nomination to the Local -- Fund Board, had been withdrawn.

Requesting the honour of an early reply.

I have the honour to be,

Sir

Your most obedient servant.

(Sd) M. J. Woodbridge.

Honorary Secretary.

(True Copy)

Honorary Secretary.

The South Mysore Planters' Association.

Mudigere, I7th September I9I2.

P. R. W. Wetherall, Esquire.,

Deputy Commissioner.,

H A S S A N.

Sir,

I have again the honour to call your attention to my letters of July 3Ist and August 24th. and to request a reply in time to -- lay before the meeting of this Association on September 26th.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant.

(Sd) M. J. Woodbridge,

Honprary Secretary.

(True Copy)

Honorary Secretary.

From,

P. R. W. Wetherall. Esquire..

Deputy Commissioner,

Hassan District.

To,

M. J. Woodbridge, Esquire.,

Honorary Secretary

South Mysore Planters' Association. MudigereP. O.

Kadur District.

Dated 21st September 1912.
Despatched.
Received
General Number 358.
No. Mis
Enclosure No. Nil.

Sir,

With reference to your letter dated the 31st July 1912, I ---- have the honour to state that after diligent search among old records in this Office, no reference is found to show that the South Mysore Planters' Association was ever asked to submit the name of one of - their members for nomination to a seat on the Hassan District Board as stated in your letter; and if you have any letter of this Office among the records of the Association to that effect, please send me a copy of it.

2. When Government called for a revised list of names of Members for re-constitution of the Hassan District Board, I consulted ----- Mr. J. G. H. Crawford, the former President of the South Mysore --- Planters' Association, who signified his consent to being nominated as a new member of the re-constituted District Board of Hassan, in-

-stead of his brother Mr. W. L. Crawford, who had been a member of the Board for many years. If it had been usual for the South Mysore Planters' Association to submit the name of one of their Members -- for nomination to the Hassan District Board, I think Mr. J. G. H. Crawford, who had more than once been the President of the Associ-- ation , would have known it, and would have asked me to make an --- Official reference to the Honorary Secretary of the Association on the subject, instead of himself consenting to his nomination as a - member of the Hassan District Board.

3. However, as Mr. J. G. H. Crawford intends going to England on leave, ~~as~~ and has written to me withdrawing his name as a nominated member of the Hassan District Board, I have now no objection to the Association submitting the name of another Member of the Munjarabad Taluk for nomination.

I have the honour to be

Sir

Your most obedient servant.

(Sd) P. R. W. Wetherall,

Deputy Commissioner.

Hassan District.

(True Copy)

Honorary Secretary.

The South Mysore Planters' Association.

Mudigere, Ist October I9I2.

P. R, W. Wetherall. Esquire..

President, District Board,

H A S S A N.

Sir,

I have the honour to inform you inreply to yours No. 358 Mis- dated 2Ist September I9I2, that Iplaced your letter before the South Mysore Planters' Association meeting on the 26th instant and the following resolutions were passed.

"Pending explanations as to why Mr. Crawford was superseded on the District Board the Association cannot see their way to submit the name of a member for nomination".

"~~Pendi~~ The Honorary Secretary be requested to communicate this resolution to the Chairman of the District Board".

I have also the honour to inform you that the following extract from the minute book of the meetings of this Association -- occurs under the signature of Mr. A. R. Park (Chairman).

"Meeting held at Chandrapur August 5th I895.

Resolved that Mr. J. G. H. Crawford's offer to have his name submitted to the Deputy Commissioner of Hassan as the representative of the Association, on the Hassan District Local Board be accepted.

Confirmed at General Meeting held 20/I0/95. signed by ------ J. G. Hamilton, President.

Two years latter during the secretaryship of Mr. J. A. Harris Mr. W. L. Crawford's name was submitted by the Association in the

place of Mr. J. G. H. Crawford who seems to have written to the Association announcing his inability to continue attending the Board meetings in Hassan. (unfortunately I cannot find this letter), but I think the above is enough to justify our request to be furnished with the reasons why our privelege of nominating another -- member in his place was withdrawn without any notice to the ------ Association.

Of course we know that the granting or withholding of this privelege of nominating a member of the Association is entirely in your hands but, as undoubtedly this privelege has been granted us since the formation of Local Boards, the superseding of our re---- presentative without any reasons given seems to be a slight both on him and on the Association which he represented, and I have again the honour to request on behalf of the Association the reason why our Representative was passed over without notice or explanation to the Association.

I am Sir,

Your most obedient servant.

(Sd) M. J. Woodbridge

Honorary Secretary.

(True Copy)

Honorary Secretary.

The South Mysore Planters' Association.

Mudigere, Ist October 1912.

P. R. W. Wetherall, Esquire.,

President, District Board,

H A S S A N.

Sir,

In continuation of mine of same date, I have the honour to enclose a copy of extracts I have made from the minute book of meetings of this Association with reference to seat on the Hassan Local Fund Board. These are very incomplete as all letters from your office are stored at Ubban and I cannot go there at present and search through them.

These Extracts however I think are sufficient to prove.

(I). That for many years the President of the Association was "Ex-Officio" a member of the Hassan Board.

(2). That when for the Ist time a President residing in Kadur District was elected and could not therefore take his seat on the Hassan Board the privelege of electing another member in his place was granted to the Association.

(3). That the seat on the Board is undoubtedly one held by a representative of the South Mysore Planters' Association.

(4). That Mr. W. L. Crawford was the elected representative of the South Mysore Planters' Association holding the seat.

(5). That we are entitled to ask why our representative was superseded without notice to the Association and our previlege of nominating a member withdrawn.

I am Sir,

Your most obedient servant.

Your most obedient servant.

(Sd) M. J. Woodbridge.

Honorary Secretary.

(True Copy)

Honorary Secretary.

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Extracts from minute book of meetings of S. M. P. A. with reference to seat on Hassan Local Fund Board.

Meeting held at Saklaspur October 15th 1885.

This Association being at present unrepresented on the Hassan Local Fund Board it was proposed by Mr. C. A. King that it ~~was~~ is most desirable that the planting interests be represented on the Hassan Local Fund Board and that it would be advisable to take steps to address The Deputy Commissioner Mr. Ananda Rao on the subject -- stating that an arrangement by which the President and Secretary for the time being be appointed "Ex Officio" members of the Local Fund Board would meet the approval of this Association.

Seconded by Mr. Cockaran and carried unanimously.

The Honorary Secretary was desired to communicate this proposal to Mr. Ananda Rao as soon as possible.

(Sd). Edwin Hunt (President)
(Sd). A. K. Gildea (Hon:Secretary)

General Annual Meeting held at Saklaspur April 28th 1886.

Extract Secretarys report

In obedience to your instructions we addressed the Deputy---- Commissioner Hassan pointing out that this Association would wish to be represented on the Hassan Local Fund Board and suggesting an arrangement by which the President and Hon: Secretary for the time being might be appointed "Ex Officio" members of that body.

In reply Mr. Ananda Rao intimated that he would consult ----- Government in the matter.

After waiting for some 4 months we this month wrote again asking wether anything definite had been settled and in reply we have just received notice that the orders of Government are awaited.

(Sd). Edwin Hunt (President)
(Sd). A. K. Gildea (Hon: Secretary)

July 18th 1886.

Received a letter from the Deputy Commissioner Hassan District forwarding copy of Dewans Proceedings No 392 and stating that ---- Mr. Robert Anderson had been elected a member of the Local Fund Board in coffee interests.

August 20th, Forwarded above letter to Mr. Anderson for his information.

August 30th, Received Mr. R. A. Andersons reply dated 24th ---- August resigning his post on the Local Fund Board in favour of the ~~President~~.

President and Secretary.

(Entries unsigned as last page lost and all records lost till May I888.)

Annual General Meeting held at Saklaspur May I6th I888.

Report read by Mr. G. Anderson in absence of Mr. A. R. Park, Secretary.

Local Fund Board

Our representative on the Board (President) drew attention to the necessity &ca &ca, (report of work on the Board during 2 annual meetings of the Board i. e. a report by the member of the Board of his work for 2 years to the Hon: Secretary and included in the Hon: ----- Secretary's report.).

General Meeting 7th March I895.

J. G. Hamilton President.
J. A. Harris Hon: Secretary.

(Note for first time President and Hon: Secretary are neither of them resident in Munjarabad.).

Roads and Communications.

Mr. G. Anderson proposed and Mr. Elder seconded that (a) in the opinion of this meeting it is essentially desirable that a member of the ---- Association should be nominated to a seat on the Hassan District ---- Local Fund Board precisely as was arranged in previous years.

Carried.

5th August I895.

Resolved that Mr. G.G. H. Crawfords offer to have his -- name submitted to the Deputy Commissioner as the representative of the Association on the Hassan District Local Fund Board be accepted.

(Sd). A. R. Park, Chairman.

Confirmed at General Meeting on 20-I0-95.

(Sd). J. G. Hamilton.
President.

The South Mysore Planters' Association.

Mudigere, IIth December I9I2.

P. R. W. Wetherall, Esquire.,

President, District Board.

H A S S A N.

Sir,

I have the honour to call your attention to the fact that my two letters of October Ist have not yet been acknowledged or replied to and that no explanation as to why, the Association member on the District Board was superseded without notice to the ------ Association, has yet been given.

I have the honour to be,

Sir

Your most obedient servant.

(Sd) M. J. Woodbridge.

Honorary Secretary.

(True Copy)

Honorary Secretary.

Enc. No. 1

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The South Mysore Planters' Association.

Mudigere, 31st December 1912.

P. R. W. Wetherall, Esquire.,

President, District Local Fund Board.

H A S S A N.

Sir,

I have the honour to again call your attention to the fact that no explanations have yet been forthcoming as to why the Association member of the District Board was superseded without notice to the Association and to express my surprise that no notice has yet been taken of my letters asking for explanations.

I have the honour to be,

Sir.

Your most obedient servant.

(Sd) M. J. Woodbridge.

Honorary Secretary.

(True Copy)

Honorary Secretary.

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Govt. of H.H. the Maharaja of Mysore.

General and Revenue Secretariat.

No. 6203 CB 207-12-2

Dated Bangalore. 15-2- 1913.

To

The President of the District Board

of Hassan.

Sir,

I am directed to forward herewith for your reference a copy of letter dated the 30th January 1913 received from Mr. M. J. Woodbridge, Honorary Secretary, South Mysore Planters' Association, and to request you to forward a full report upon the ~~allegations contained therein~~ including specially the ~~one relating to the reasons~~ why the last member from the Association, said to have acted as such for 14 years, was superseded

A very early report is requested.

I have etc.,

13.2.13

Offg: Secretary to Govt.

M.L.

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Government of H.H.the Maharaja of Mysore.

General and Revenue Secretariat.

No. 6204. L.B. 207-92-3

Dated Bangalore, 15-2-1913.

To

M.J.Woodbridge Esquire,

Hon:Secretary,South Mysore

Planters' Association,

Mudgere.

Sir,

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter dated the 20th January 1913 addressed to the Dewan of Mysore, enclosing copies of correspondence between the Deputy Commissioner of Hassan and yourself in regard to the nomination of a Member on the Hassan District Board and to state that the matter is being considered.

I have etc.

Draft 11/2/13

for Offg: Secretary to Govt.

M.L.

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From

P.R.W.Wetherall Esquire,
Deputy Commissioner,
and
President, District Board,
H A S S A N .

To

K.R.Sreenivasa Iyengar Esqr., M.A.,
Secretary to the Government of
H.H.the Maharaja of Mysore,
General and Revenue Departments,
B A N G A L O R E .

Dated 30th May 1913.

Despatched 2nd June 1913.

Received

General No. 210
No. 5.

Enclosure No. 9.

S U B J E C T .

Submitting a full report on the points relating to the letter of Mr J. M. Woodbridge Honorary Secretary, South Mysore Planters Association

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1912-13.

Office of the Deputy Commissioner,
and
President, District Board,
H A S S A N .
Dated Hassan, 30th May 1913.

From,

P.R.W.Wetherall Esquire,

Deputy Commissioner and President,

District Board,

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To,

K.R.Sreenivasa Iyengar Esquire, M.A.,

Secretary to the Government of His

Highness the MaharaJa of Mysore,

General and Revenue Departments,

B A N G A L O R E .

Sir,

Adverting to your letter No.6203/L.B.207-12 dated 15th ebruary 1913 I have the honor to state that from the copies of he marginally noted communications herein nclosed, it may be bserved that when he Honorary Secre- tary of the South ysore Planters' Asso- ciation in the year 886 applied to the Deputy Commissioner of Hassan with a reso- lution of the Asso- ciation worded as follows:-" This Asso- ciation would view with approval any ar- rangement by which the President and Honorary Secretary of the time being could be appointed ex-officio members of the Hassan Sub Division

1. Letter dated 12th April 1886 from A.K.Gildea Esq. Honorary Secretary South Mysore Planters' Association to T.Ananda Rao Esquire, Deputy Commissioner of Hassan.
2. Reply letter No.62/35 dated 16th April 1886 from P.N.Purnaiya Esquire, Deputy Commissioner of Hassan to A.K.Gildea Esquire, Honorary Secretary South Mysore Planters' Association.
3. Proceedings of the Dewan of Mysore Camp No.392 dated Mysore 5th July 1886 addressed to the Deputy Commissioner, Hassan District.
4. Docket No.989/491 dated 14th July 1886 from T. Ananda Rao Esquire, Deputy Commissioner to A.K.Gildea Esquire, Honorary Secretary, South Mysore Planters' Association.
5. Letter dated 31st July 1912, from J.N.Woodbridge Esquire, Honorary Secretary, South Mysore Planters' Association to P.R.W.Wetherall Esquire, Deputy Commissioner, Hassan.
6. Deputy Commissioner's Letter No.358/Mis. dated 21st September 1912, in reply.
7. South Mysore Planters' Association Honorary Secretary's letter dated 25th September 1912 to the Deputy Commissioner, Hassan.
8. South Mysore Planters' Association Honorary Secretary's letter dated 1st October 1912 (marked A) to the President, Hassan District Board.
9. South Mysore Planters' Association Honorary Secretary's letter dated 1st October 1912 (marked B) to the President, Hassan District Board.

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Local Fund Board", the Deputy Commissioner made a reference to Government and replied to the Honorary Secretary that the orders of Government were awaited, and at the same time obser--ving in his reply that Mr.R.Anderson was then a member of the Local Fund Board.

2. On receipt of the Dewan's Proceedings camp No.392 dated Mysore 5th July 1886, the Deputy Commissioner with his docket No.989/491 dated 14th idem forwarded a copy of the same to the Honorary Secretary South Mysore Planters' Association for information, and again pointed out that Mr.R.Anderson was already a member of the Board in European Coffee interests. The wording of the Dewan's Proceedings Viz. "The Government sees no objection to the interests of Coffee Planters European and Native being represented in the District Local Board", or the reply docket of the Deputy Commissioner to the Honorary Secretary did not confer any right or privilege on the South Mysore Planters' Association to nominate a member to the Dis--trict Board (or as termed in the Dewan's proceedings " Dis--trict Local Board").

3. After a prolonged search in this office no reference has been found to show that any such right or privilege was since conferred on the South Mysore Planters' Association, or that the Association was requested to nominate one of its members as a member of the District Board.

4. In my letter No.358/Mis. dated 21st September 1912 (copy also enclosed herein) I informed Mr.M.J.Woodbridge Honorary Secretary South Mysore Planters' Association that no reference was found to show that the Association was ever asked to sub--mit the name of one of their members for nomination to a seat on the Hassan District Board. At the same time I requested him to send me a copy if he had any letter of this office to that effect among the recprds of the Association.

5. Further, I informed Mr.Woodbridge that when Government called for a revised list of names of Members for re- consti--tution of the Hassan District Board, I consulted Mr.J.G.H.Craw--ford, the former President of the South Mysore Planters' Asso--ciation, who signified his consent to being nominated by me

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as a new member of the re-constituted District Board of Hassan instead of his younger brother Mr.W.L.Crawford,who had been a member of the Board for many years.I also pointed out to Mr. Woodbridge that if it had been usual for the South Mysore Plan-ters' Association to submit the name of one of their members for nomination to the Hassan District Board,Mr.J.C.H.Crawford who had more than once ~~being~~ been the President of the Association, would have known it,and would have asked me,when I consulted him,to make an official reference to the Honorary Secretary of the Association on the subject instead of himself consenting to his nomination by me as a member of the re-constituted Dis-trict Board of Hassan.

6. However,in conclusion of the same letter I informed Mr. Woodbridge that as Mr.J.C.H.Crawford intended going to England on long leave of absence and had written to me withdrawing his name as a nominated member of the Hassan District Board,I had then no objection to the Association submitting the name of some another member residing in the Manjarabad Taluk for nomination.

7. In his letter dated Mudigere the 25th September 1912, Mr.Woodbridge,in acknowledging receipt of my letter,thanked me for the permission to submit the name of a member residing in Manjarabad taluk for nomination to a seat on the Hassan Dis-trict Board,and stated that he would lay my letter before the meeting on the 26th idem,and would search the records as soon as he had time to do so.

8. In his subsequent letter dated 1st October 1912 (marked A) Mr.Woodbridge communicated the resolution passed by the Association at their meeting on the 26th September 1912 worded as follows - " Pending explanations as to why Mr.Crawford was superseded on the District Board the Association cannot see their way to submit the name of a member for nomination.The Honorary Secretary be requested to communicate this resolution to the Chairman of the District Board". In the same letter Mr.Woodbridge merely quoted an extract dated the 7th August 1895 from the minute book of the Association meeting concern-ing Mr.J.C.H.Crawford (the identical member whom I had nomi-

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nominated on the present occasion); but he sent no extract of the minute book concerning Mr.W.L.Crawford (although the point in question, and said to be two years subsequent) and stated that he could not find the letter on the subject. Pre-sumably this relates to the year 1897, when Mr.B.G.Krishna Iyengar was the Deputy Commissioner and President of the Hassan District Fund Board, but no reference has been found in this office connected therewith.

9. With his second letter of the same date Viz. 1st October 1912 (marked B) Mr.Woodbridge enclosed six extracts from the minute book of meetings of the South Mysore Planters' Association including that dated 5th August 1895 embodied in his previous letter and concerning Mr.J.G.H.Crawford; but nothing of subsequent date or concerning Mr.W.L.Crawford Nor did he quote or send a copy of any letter of this office, or any letter sent by the Honorary Secretary to this office concerning the submission of Mr.W.L.Crawford's name for nomi-nation by the Deputy Commissioner as a member of the Hassan District Board. Having failed to establish his allegations, he nevertheless insisted upon asking why this representative of the Association was superceded without notice to the Asso-ciation, and why the Association's privilege of nominating a member was withdrawn, although it had not been shown that any such privilege was conferred on the Association. And all this is in sequence to the concluding portion of my letter No.358/Mis. dated 21st September 1912, in which I informed Mr.Woodbridge that I had no objection to the Association submitting the name of another member residing in the Manja-rabad Taluk for nomination to the Hassan District Board.

10. As a matter of general principle I may here mention that the nomination by the Deputy Commissioner of certain members of the District Board is regulated on considerations connected with "Interests or communities" (vide para 8 clause (e) of the Local Boards Rules), I nominated Mr.J.G.H.Crawford as a distinguished representative of the European Planting Community in Manjarabad Taluk being the Senior Representative in India of Mr.Brooke Mocket who owns one of the largest extents

extents of coffee and cardamom lands in this District.He also happens to be a distinguished member of the South Mysore Plan-ters' Association.But I can give at least two instances of European Planters in Manjarabad Taluk who are not members of the South Mysore Planters' Association but own very extensive estates in that Taluk,and who pay a very large amount in the way of land assessment to Government,and also local cess on that assessment,a large proportion of which latter is credited to District Funds.They have a strong right to have,in their turn,some voice in the expenditure of those funds.And merely because they are not members of the South Mysore Planters' Association would not be a sufficient reason to exclude either of them from consideration among others for being nominated as a member of the District Board,for at least one period of three years.Native Coffee Planters are also referred to in the above quoted Proceedings of the Dewan of Mysore,and a representative among them had also to be nominated as a member of the District Board.In these circumstances,and considering the limited number of District Board Members permissible under the Local Boards Rules,it would not be possible to nominate more than one European Planter as a member of the District Board.

11. Hence it appears to me that the above mentioned Proceed-ings of the Dewan of Mysore were based on sound principles and were advisedly worded without mention of any Association,(al-though the Deputy Commissioner's reference related particularly to the application of the Honorary Secretary of the South Mysore Planters' Association),leaving it to the discretion of the De-puty Commissioner to see that the interests of Coffee Planters both European and Native are properly represented on the Dis-trict Board.

12. In conclusion I may add that owing to prolonged search among old records having been necessary,and owing to Huzoor Jamabandy and other tours,and latterly owing to pressure of work on account of urgent Criminal Cases ,the above report

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Letter dated 12th. April 1886 of A.K.Gildea Esq., Honorary Secretary, South Mysore Planters Association, to T.Ananda Rao Esquire, Deputy Commissioner, Hassan.

Sir,

I had the honor on 4th. November last to forward you a resolution passed at a meeting of this Association to the effect that.-

" This Association would view with approval any arrange--ment by which the President and Honorary Secretary of the time being could be appointed Ex-Officio Members of the Hassan Sub Division, Local Fund Board ".

In reply to my letter you kindly informed me that you thought there could be no objection but that you would consult the Government in the matter and let me know.

Since then no further communication has reached me but as the general Annual Meeting of this Association takes place on the 28th. instant, I shall be obliged by your let--ting me know the views of Government before that date.

I have etc.

Sd.- A.K.Gildea,

Honorary Secretary.

Letter No. 62/35 dated 16th. April 1886. from P.N.Pur--naiya Esq. Deputy Commissioner, Hassan, to A.K.Gildea Esq. Honorary Secretary, S.M.P.A.

Sir

In reply to your letter of the 12th. Instant, I have the honor to state that the orders of Government are awaited. Mr. R. Anderson, I observe, is now a Member of the Local Fund Board.

I have etc.-

Sd.- P.N.Purnaiya, Deputy Commissioner
Hassan.

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H.W.Vetherall

B.S.N. Dy. Deputy Commissioner, Hassan District.

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Proceedings of the Dewan of Mysore.

Read.-

Correspondence ending with Hassan Deputy Com-
-missioner's Docket No.61/12 dated 16th.April 1886.

Order thereon.- Camp No.392, Camp Mysore,5th.July 1886.

The Government sees no objection to the interests of Coffee Planters,European and Native,being represented in the District Local Board.

Sd.R.Vejayendra Rao
Chief Secretary.

To,

The Deputy Commissioner, Hassan District.

Docket No.989/491 dated 14th.July 1886,from T.Ananda-
-Rao,Esq.,Deputy Commissioner,Hassan,to A.K.Gildea Esq.,
Honorary Secretary,S.M.P.A.

With reference to this Office Docket No.62/35 dated 16th. April last,has the honor to forward for informa-
-tion,copy of Dewan's Proceedings No.392 dated 5th.Instant, and to state that Mr.Robert Anderson is now a Member in European Coffee interests.

Sd.- T.Ananda Rao
Deputy Commissioner,
Hassan District.

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Deputy Commissioner,
Hassan District.

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Letter dated 31st.July 1912, from M.J.Woodbridge Esq. Honorary Secretary, S.M.P's'A., to P.R.W.Wetherall Esquire, Deputy Commissioner, Hassan District.

Sir,

I shall be much obliged if you will kindly inform me why Mr.J.G.H.Crawford's name was submitted to Govern--ment as Member of the District Board without a reference to the South Mysore Planters' Association thus passing over Mr.W.L.Crawford who has represented the Association to our entire satisfaction for 14 years.

As it has been usual since the establishment of District Fund Boards in Mysore for the Deputy Commissioner of Hassan, to ask the South Mysore Planters' Association to submit the name of one of their Members for nomination to a seat on the Hassan District Board, the sudden withdrawal of this privilege, without any reason given, seems to be a matter in which the Association has a right to ask for explanations.

I have etc.-

Sd.- M.J.Woodbridge,

Honorary Secretary.

"C O P Y"

P.R.W.Wetherall

Deputy Commissioner,

B.S.N. Hassan District.

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Letter No.358/Mis.dated 21st.September 1912,from P.R.W.Wetherall,Esquire,Deputy Commissioner,Hassan District, to M.J.Woodbridge,Esquire,Honorary Secretary,S.M.P.A. Mudgere Post Office,Kadur District.

Sir,

With reference to your letter dated the 31st.July 1912,I have the honor to state that after diligent search among the old records in this Office,no reference is found to show that the South Mysore Planters'Association was ever asked to submit the name of one of their Members for nomina-tion to a seat on the Hassan District Board as stated in your letter;and if you have any letter of this Office among the records of the Association to that effect,please send me a copy of it.

2. When Government called for a revised list of names of Members for re-constitution of the Hassan District Board, I consulted Mr.J.G.H.Crawford,the former President of the South Mysore Planters' Association,who signified his con-sent to being nominated as a new Member of the re-constitu-ted District Board of Hassan instead of his brother Mr.W.L. Crawford.who had been a Member of the Board for many years. If it had been usual for the South Mysore Planters' Asso-ciation to submit the name of one of their Members for nomination to the Hassan District Board,I think Mr.J.G.H. Crawford,who had more than once been the President of the Association,would have known it,and would have asked me to make an Official reference to the Honorary Secretary of the Association on the subject,instead of himself consenting to his nomination as a Member of the Hassan District Board.

3. However,as Mr.J.G.H.Crawford intends going to England on leave and has written to me withdrawing his name as a nominated Member of the Hassan District Board,I have now no objection to the Association submitting the name of another Member of the Manjarabad Taluk for nomination.

I have etc.-
Sd.- P.R.W.Wetherall
Deputy Commissioner,Hassan.

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P.R.W.Wetherall
Dep. Dy Commissioner Hassan District

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Letter dated 25th.September 1912,from M.J.Wood-
-bridge Esq.,Honorary Secretary S.M.P.A.,to P.R.W.Wetherall Esq.
Deputy Commissioner,Hassan District.

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your's of 21st.Instant No.358/Mis.and to thank you for permission to submit the name of a Member residing in Manjarabad Taluk for nomination for a seat on the Hassan District Board.

I will lay your letter before the meeting on 26th. Instant and will search the records as soon as I have time to do so.

I have etc.-

Sd.- M.J.Woodbridge,

Honorary Secretary.

Letter dated 1st.October 1912,from M.J.Woodbridge Esq Honorary Secretary,S.M.P.A. to P.R.W.Wetherall Esquire, (A)
Deputy Commissioner,Hassan District.

Sir,

I have the honor to inform you in reply to yours No.358/Mis.dated 21st.September 1912,that I placed your letter before the South Mysore Planters' Association meet-
-ing on the 26th.Ultimo and the following resolutions were passed.-

" Pending explanations as to why Mr.Crawford was superseded on the District Board the Association cannot see their way to submit the name of a Member for nomination".

" The Honorary Secretary be requested to communicate this resolution to the Chairman of the District Board".

I have also the honor to inform you that the fol-
-lowing extract from the minute book of the meetings of this Association occurs under the signature of Mr.A.R.Park (Chairman).

" Meeting held at Chandrapur August 5th.1895."

Resolved -

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Resolved that Mr.J.G.H.Crawford's offer to have his name sub-mitted to the Deputy Commissioner of Hassan as the repre-sentative of the Association, on the Hassan District Local Board be accepted.

Confirmed at General Meeting held 20-10-1895. Signed by J.G.Hamilton, President.

Two years latter, during the Secretaryship of Mr.J.A. Harris, Mr.W.L.Crawford's name was submitted by the Associa-tion in the place of Mr.J.G.H.Crawford who seems to have written to the Association announcing his inability to continue attending the Board meetings in Hassan. (Unfortu-nately I cannot find this letter), but I think the above is enough to justify our request to be furnished with the reasons why our privilege of nominating another member in his place was withdrawn without any notice to the Associa-tion.

Of course we know that the granting or withholding of this privilege of nominating a member of the Association is entirely in your hands, but, as undoubtedly this privilege has been granted us since the formation of Local Boards, the superseding of our representative without any reasons given seems to be a slight both on him and on the Associa-tion which he represented, and I have again the honor to request on behalf of the Association the reason why our Representative was passed over without notice or explana-tion to the Association.

I have etc.

Sd.- M.J.Woodbridge

Honorary Secretary.

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W.H.Wetherall

Deputy Commissioner,

B.S.N. Hassan District.

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Letter dated 1st.October 1912,from M.J.Woodbridge Esq.
Honorary Secretary,S.M.P.A.to P.M.W.Wetherall Esquire,
Deputy Commissioner,Hassan District. (B)

Sir,

I continuation of mine of same date, I have the honor to enclose a copy of extracts I have made from the minute book of meetings of this Association with reference to seat on the Hassan Local Fund Board. These are very incomplete as all letters from your Office are stord at Ubban and I cannot go there at present and search through them.

These extracts,however,I think are sufficient to prove.

(1) That for many years the President of the Association was "Ex-Officio" a member of the Hassan Board,from 1886-95.

(2) That when for the 1st.time a President residing in Kadur District was elected and could not therefore take his seat on the Hassan Board the privilege of electing another member in his place was granted to the Association.

(3) That the seat on the Board is undoubtedly one held by a representative of the South Mysore Planters' Association.

(4) That Mr.W.L.Crawford was the elected representative of the South Mysore Planters' Association holding that seat.

(5) That we are entitled to ask why our representative was superseded without notice to the Association and our privilege of nominating a member withdrawn.

I have etc.-

Sd.- M.J.Woodbridge

Honorary Secretary.

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P.M.W.Wetherall

Deputy Commissioner,

B.S.N. Hassan District.

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Extracts from minute book of meetings of S.M.P.A. with reference to seat on Hassan Local Fund Board.

Meeting held at Saklespur October 1885.

This Association being at present unrepresented on the Hassan Local Fund Board it was proposed by Mr.C.A.King that it is most desirable that the planting interests be represented on the Hassan Local Fund Board and that it would be advisable to take steps to address the Deputy Commissioner Mr.Ananda Rao on the subject stating that an arrangement by which the President and Secretary for the time being be appointed "Ex-Officio" members of the Local Fund Board would meet the approval of this Association.

Seconded by Mr.Cockrane and carried unanimously.

The Honorary Secretary was desired to communicate this proposal to Mr.Ananda Rao as soon as possible.

(sd.)Edwin Hunt (President)
(Sd).A.K.Gildea (Hon.Secretary)

General Annual Meeting held at Saklespur April 28th.1886.

Extract Secretarys report.

In obedience to your instructions we addressed the Deputy Commissioner,Hassan,pointing out that this Associa-tion would wish to be represented on the Hassan Local Fund Board and suggesting an arrangement by which the Presi-dent and Honorary Secretary for the time being might be appointed "Ex-Officio"members of that body.

In reply Mr.Ananda Rao intimated that he would consult Government in the matter.

After waiting for some 4 months we this month wrote again asking whether anything definite had been settled and in reply we have just received notice that the orders of Government are awaited.

(Sd).Edwin Hunt (President)
(Sd).A.K.Gildea (Hon:Secretary)

July 18th.1886.

Received a letter from the Deputy Commissioner,Hassan District

District, forwarding copy of Dewan's Proceedings No.392 and stating that Mr.Robert Anderson had been elected a member of the Local Fund Board in Coffee interests.

Elected by whom?

August 20th. Forwarded above letter to Mr.R.Anderson for his information.

August 30th. Received Mr.R.A.Anderson's reply dated 24th.August resigning his post on the Local Fund Board in favour of the President and Secretary

(Entries unsigned as last page lost and all records lost till May 1888.)

Annual General Meeting held at Saklespur May 16th.1888

Report read by Mr.G.Anderson in absence of Mr.A.R.Park, Secretary.

Local Fund Board.

Our representative on the Board (President) drew attention to the necessity Etc.Etc., (report of work on the Board during 2 Annual Meetings of the Board i.e.a report by the member of the Board of his work for 2 years to the Hon:Secretary and included in the Honorary Secretary's report).

General meeting 7th.March 1895.

J.G.Hamilton, President.

J.A.Harris, Honorary Secretary.

(Note for first time President and Honorary Secretary are neither of them resident in Manjarabad.)

Roads and communications.

Mr.G.Anderson proposed and Mr.Elder seconded that in the opinion of this meeting it is essentially desirable that a member of the Association should be nominated to a seat on the Hassan District Local Fund Board precisely as was arranged in previous years.

Carried.

5th.August 1895.

Resolved that Mr.J.G.H.Crawford's offer to have his name submitted

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submitted to the Deputy Commissioner as the representative of the Association on the Hassan District Local Fund Board be accepted.

(Sd). A.R.Park, Chairman.

Confirmed at General Meeting on 20-10-1895.

Sd.- J.G.Hamilton.

President.

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Deputy Commissioner,

Hassan District.

THE SOUTH MYSORE PLANTERS' ASSOCIATION.

Mudigere, 10th May 1913.

To, LS(207-12)-5

M. Vishveshwaraya, Esquire., C. I. E.

Dewan to the Government of His Highness

the Maharaja of Mysore.,

Bangalore.

Reply with 5 days- further action

Sir,

I have the honour to call your attention to the correspondence between the Deputy Commissioner of Hassan District and myself with reference to the seat on the Hassan District Fund Board and to inform you that we are still without any explanation as to why our member was superseded and that we still have no member on the Board.

I have the honour to be,

Sir

Your most obedient servant,

M. J. Woodhouse

Honorary Secretary.

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To

The President,

District Board,

Hassan.

Sir,

With reference to the correspondence ending with your letter No.210 dated the 30th May 1913 reporting on the letter of Mr. J.M. Woodbridge, Honorary Secretary, South Planters' Association, Mudigere, in the matter of the nomination of a member by the Association for a seat on the Hassan District Board, I am directed to request you to be so good as to communicate to Mr. Woodbridge the purport of the views ~~now reported by you to Government~~ as set forth in your letter and to forward a copy of your communication ~~letter~~ to Government for this record.

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I have &c.,

For Secretary.

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To

J.M. Woodbridge Esqr.,
Honorary Secretary,
South Planters'
Association,,
Mudigere.

Sir,

With reference to the correspondence ending with your letter dated the 10th May 1913, to the address of the Dewan of Mysore, in regard to the nomination of a member of your Association on the Hassan District Board, I am directed to state that a ~~reply~~ communication on the subject will be sent to you shortly by the Deputy Commissioner of the Hassan District.

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I have &c.,

For Secretary.

M E M O. 10201 LB207-12 9.vi.6.13.

Copy forwarded to the Deputy Commissioner and President, District Board, Hassan, for information with reference to his letter No. G.L. No. dated 8th inst.

By order,

For Secretary.

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THE SOUTH MYSORE PLANTERS' ASSOCIATION.

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Mudigere, 12th July 1913.

M. Vishveshwaraya, ~~Esquire.~~, C. I. E.,

Dewan, to the Government of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore,

Sir,

Seat on Hassan District Local Fund Board

With reference to your letter No. 10200/L.B. 209.12.7 dated 24th June, I have the honour to inform you that I have received no ------ communication on the subject from the Deputy Commissioner of Hassan District and that this matter has ~~never~~ now been the subject of correspondence for over one year and that the interests of the European --- Community are still unrepresented on the Hassan District Board.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

M. J. Woodhouse

Honorary Secretary.

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Secretary
with Kind's regt pleasure
once a week until the matter
is settled. He may communicate
with Dy Comm by wire

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to the DC Comm

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To

The Presidents, Of Board,

Harcourt

Date of issue 17.7.13

Signed by Mr A.V.K

Sir

In confirming the marginally noted telegram issued by me today, I am directed to invite your attention to this office letter No. 10199/A-B-207-12-6 dated the 24th June 1913 and to request to be informed whether you have, as required therein, communicated to Mr Woodbridge, the purport of your report to Govt in the matter over.

This office reference No. 10199 dated 24th ultimo regarding Soc. Planters Association Of Board Membership. Wire whether Mr Woodbridge has been communicated with by you as required and send copy of communication immediately

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MAV
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Draft Telegram

To.

President
Of Board.
Hassan

Issued from cash Section
16-7-13

This office reference
No 10199 dated 2.d ult.mo
regarding South Planter's
Association District Board
Membership - Wire whether
Mr Woodbridge has been
communicated with by
you as required and
send copy of communication
immediately

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From

P.R.W.Wetherall Esquire,

Deputy Commissioner, &
President, Hassan District Board,
Hassan District.

To

K.R.Sreenivasa Iyengar Esquire, M.A.,
Secretary to the Government of
His Highness the Maharaja of
Mysore, General and Revenue
Departments, Bangalore.

Dated 17th July 1913.

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General No. 21

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Enclosure No. One.

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Submutting a copy of letter addressed to Mr. M.J.Woodbridge, Honorary Secretary, South Mysore Planters Association for record.

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From P.R.W.Wetherall Esqr.,
Deputy Commissioner and Pre-
-sident, District Board
Hassan.

To M.G.Woodbridge Esqr.,
Honorary Secretary,
South Mysore Planters' Associ-
-tion, Hudgere P.O.,
Kadur District.

Dated 17th. July 1913.

Despatched

Received

General No. 77
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Enclosure No. Nil.

Sir,

I have the honour to state that the Secretary to the Government of Mysore referring to the correspondence in the matter of the nomination of a member of the South Mysore Planters' Association to a seat on the Hassan District Board, which was placed be-
-fore Government, has requested me to communicate to you the purport of my views on the subject.

2. In the year 1886 the Honorary Secretary of the South Mysore Planters' Association applied to the Deputy Com-
-missioner of Hassan with a resolution of the Association worded as follows:-
" This Association would view with approval any arrangement by which the President and Honorary Secretary of

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the time being could be appointed ex-officio members of the Hassan Sub Division Local Fund Board." * The De--puty Commissioner made a reference to Government, and replied to the Honorary Secretary that the orders of Government were awaited, at the same time observing in his reply that Mr. R.Anderson was then a member of the Local Fund Board.

3. On the 5th. July 1886 Government passed orders in the matter worded as follows:- " The Government see no objection to the interests of Coffee Planters European and Native being represented in the District Local Board", copy of which was sent to the Honorary Secretary South Mysore Planters' Association for information with the Deputy Commissioner's docket No. 989/491 dated the 14th. Idem, in which it was again pointed out that Mr. R. Anderson was already a member of the Board in European Coffee interests. Hence it may be observed that the wording of the Government order, or the reply docket of the Deputy Commissioner to the Honorary Secretary did not confer any right or privilege on the South Mysore Planters' Association to select a member of the Associ--ation for nomination by the Deputy Commissioner as a member of the Hassan District Board.*

4. After a prolonged search in this office no reference has been found to show that any such right or privilege was since conferred on the South Mysore Planters' As--sociation, or that the Association was requested to nominate one of its members as a member of the Hassan District Board. In my letter No. 358/Mis dated the 21st. September 1912 I informed you of this, and mentioned that, if you had any letter of this office among the records of the Association to that effect, you might send me a copy of it. I also informed you in the same letter

that

that when Government called for a revised list of names of members for re-constitution of the Hassan District Board, I consulted Mr. J.G.H.Crawford the former Presi-dent of the South Mysore Planters' Association, who signified his consent to being nominated by me as a member of the re-constituted District Board of Hassan. And I then pointed out to you that if it had been usual for the South Mysore Planters' Association to submit the name of one of their members for nomination to the Has-san District Board, Mr. J.G.H.Crawford, who was the pre-vious nominated member of the Hassan District Board, and who had more than once been the President of the Association, would have certainly known it, and would have asked me to make an official reference to the Hono-rary Secretary of the Association on the subject instead of himself consenting to his nomination as a member of the Hassan District Board. However, in concluding that letter I informed you that, as Mr. J.G.H.Crawford in-tended going to England on leave, and had written to me withdrawing his name as a nominated member of the Hassan District Board, I had then no objection to the Association submitting the name of another member resi-dent in Manjarabad Taluk for nomination by me. And in your reply letter dated 25th. September 1912 you acknow-ledged the receipt of my letter and thanked me for the permission to submit the name of a member residing in Manjarabad Taluk for nomination to a seat on the Hassan District Board.

5. What subsequently transpired on the subject you are fully aware of, the result being that you were unable to find any reference to show that prior to the nomination of Mr. W.L.Crawford as a member of the Hassan District Board by the Deputy Commissioner then in charge of the Hassan District, the Association was asked by him to sub-mit the name of one of its members for such nomination,

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or that such was done by the Association. And after pro-
-longed search among the old records in this office no
such reference has been found.

6. That Mr. W.L.Crawford, as a member of the Hassan District Board, was a representative of the " interests of the European Coffee Planters " of the District (vide wording of the proceedings of the Dewan of Mysore No. 392 dated 5th. July 1886) is fully established. But, as alleged in your letter, that he was " the elected repre-
-sentative of the South Mysore Planters' Association " on the Hassan District Board, has not been established.

7. However I am still willing to consider the name of a member of the South Mysore Planters' Association resident in the Hassan District for nomination by me as a member of the Hassan District Board (as previous-
-ly intimated in my letter No. 358/Mis dated 21st. Sep-
-tember 1912) if such name be sent to me at an early date.

8. From your last letter to me dated Mudgere the 12th. July 1913 I see that the next meeting of the South Mysore Planters' Association is fixed for the 1st. August 1913. When you will have an opportunity to place this letter before the meeting, and thereafter intimate to me the name of the Association member proposed for nomination by me, failing which I shall be constrained to dispose of the matter otherwise.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

Sd. P.R.W.Wetherall

Deputy Commissioner and President,

Hassan District Board.

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P.R.W.Wetherall

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To

The President, District Bd, Kadur

Date of issue 28.7.13

Signed by MEAR

Sir,

I am directed to request you to be so good as to state whether the North Mysore Planters' Association has been sending any representation to the Kadur District Board and, if so, on what authority.

I have, &c.

Asst
24/7/13
for Secretary

KBG
28/7/13

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From

The Deputy Commissioner
Kadur District

To

The Secretary to the
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